



General Assembly

January Session, 2015

**Substitute Bill No. 5541**



**AN ACT CONCERNING A PILOT PROGRAM FOR INTERIM CARE FACILITIES.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1       Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2015*) (a) For purposes of this  
2       section, (1) "elderly person" has the same meaning as provided in  
3       section 17b-450 of the general statutes, (2) "interim care facility" means  
4       a facility that provides access to medical care, prepared meals and  
5       assistance with household tasks in a homelike setting for elderly  
6       persons who may have medical conditions that make it difficult for  
7       them to live alone but who do not require twenty-four-hour skilled  
8       nursing supervision, and (3) "homelike setting" means a living  
9       arrangement that provides a private residential unit with a full  
10      bathroom.

11      (b) The Commissioner of Social Services may, within available  
12      appropriations, establish and operate a pilot program to support the  
13      development of one or more interim care facilities by an institution  
14      licensed pursuant to chapter 368v of the general statutes for not more  
15      than one hundred elderly persons who require access to medical care,  
16      prepared meals and assistance with household tasks but who do not  
17      require twenty-four-hour skilled nursing supervision.

18      (c) The commissioner shall give priority in funding to any interim  
19      care facility proposal that facilitates the strategic plan for long-term  
20      care pursuant to subsection (c) of section 17b-369 of the general

21 statutes. The commissioner may seek any available federal funding to  
22 support the development of an interim care facility, including, but not  
23 limited to, applying for a Medicaid waiver pursuant to section 17b-8 of  
24 the general statutes.

25 (d) Not later than July 1, 2016, the Commissioner of Social Services  
26 shall submit a report on the pilot program, in accordance with the  
27 provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes, to the joint standing  
28 committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters  
29 relating to aging, public health, human services and appropriations  
30 and the budgets of state agencies.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
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Section 1	July 1, 2015	New section
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***Statement of Legislative Commissioners:***

In Section 1(b), "entity" was changed to "institution" and "an institutional level of care" was changed to "twenty-four-hour skilled nursing supervision" for consistency with provisions of the general statutes and internal consistency.

***AGE***      *Joint Favorable Subst. -LCO*